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I have the honour to refer to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) and to paragraph 3 of Security Council resolution 1962 (2010) of 20 December 2010, which extended the mandate of UNOCI until 30 June 2011.

In light of the present security situation in Côte d'Ivoire, I wish to recommend a temporary reconfiguration of the police component of UNOCI. Within the Mission's current authorized police strength, 40 individual police officers whose positions are currently unencumbered would be temporarily replaced by 40 formed police unit personnel. This measure, which could be implemented with immediate effect once authorized by the Security Council, would provide the Mission with necessary additional capacity to meet the challenges in terms of protecting United Nations personnel and installations and protecting civilians.

I would be grateful if you could bring this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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